REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for the continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filling a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53 (PTO/SB/29) Instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar 20, 2000) 1233 Off. Gazette Pat Office (April 11, 2000) which established RCE practice.

1.	Sub	miss	ion Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
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a.	i.		Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
	ii.		Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
	iii.		Other
b.	Ø	En	closed
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	ii.		Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
	iii.	×	Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
	iv.	⊠	Other Petition to Withdraw from Issue
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a. b.	_		ision of Action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of months (period shall not exceed three months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)
3.	Fee	es T	he RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.
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